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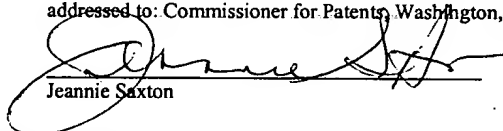
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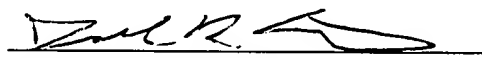
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In response to the Office Action mailed June 13, 2002, Applicant hereby elects Group II, directed to claims 5-17, drawn to a method for prosecution in this application.

In view of the foregoing election, examination on the merits is earnestly solicited and indication of allowance of at least the elected Group is earnestly solicited.

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